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In re the Application of:

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For: SPEAKER VERIFICATION APPARATUS AND METHOD UTILIZING VOICE INFORMATION OF A REGISTERED SPEAKER WITH EXTRACTED FEATURE PARAMETER AND CALCULATED VERIFICATION DISTANCE TO DETERMINE A MATCH OF AN INPUT VOICE WITH THAT OF A REGISTERED SPEAKER (AS AMENDED)

SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FOR AMENDMENT PRESENTING CLAIMS FOR MATTER DISCLOSED BUT NOT ORIGINALLY CLAIMED

As a below named inventor in the application for letters patent for an improvement entitled SPEAKER VERIFICATION APPARATUS AND METHOD UTILIZING VOICE INFORMATION OF A REGISTERED SPEAKER WITH EXTRACTED FEATURE PARAMETER AND CALCULATED VERIFICATION DISTANCE TO DETERMINE A MATCH OF AN INPUT VOICE WITH THAT OF A REGISTERED SPEAKER (AS AMENDED), Serial No. 09/487,467, filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 19, 2000, I hereby declare that the subject matter of the amendment(s) made to the specification, claims and Abstract and/or drawings of the subject application during prosecution [*the subject matter of the Amendment filed on or about July 12, 2004] was part of my invention and was invented before the filing of the original application, above identified, for such invention.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, Abstract and drawings each as amended [*by the Amendment] as referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty under 37 CFR 1.56 to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and, further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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